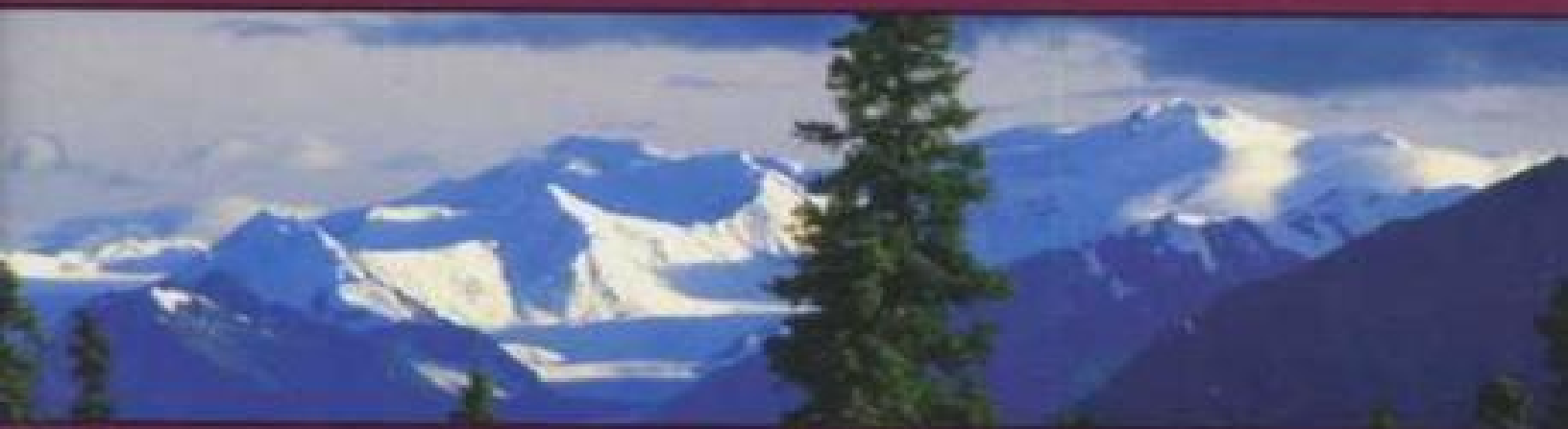


How To Receive **GOD'S** BENEFITS



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In The Spirit You Speak Mysteries

For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue, speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

1 Corinthians 14:2

In the Spirit you will speak mysteries, that is very true. You will never know what it means when the Spirit of God is being manifested through tongues speaking directly to God. You won't know what the sounds mean, and you won't know what the words mean, but God does. The only way we can know what the words mean is when God gives us the gift of interpretation, and then God can reveal to us their meaning.

Now notice the 6th verse, God says to the church,

Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, expect I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by doctrine?

1 Corinthians 14:6

Revelation and knowledge. I want you to concentrate a minute on the word *knowledge*. The knowledge of the Holy Ghost always astounds me. It always thrills me because it's something my mind can't understand. The vast knowledge of the Holy Ghost is the knowledge of God.

'Come With Me To Buy Carpet'

I was sitting in my office one day, and a pastor came by and said to me, "Norvel, God sent me by here, to get you to go on a trip with me, I am going over the Tennessee line to a rug manufacturing company to buy some carpet for about seven Sunday School rooms I built on the church. I need new carpet for all seven rooms, and God dealt with me this morning to get you to go with me to this manufacturing company."

I said "Pastor, my desk is loaded down here with mail, and I am really busy."

He looked at me very seriously and said, "But Brother Norvel, it's God. God told me to come by here, and get you."

Well, I saw he was really serious, and I knew that he loved God and that he was a man of God, so I said to him, "Okay. Fine Pastor, if God told you, I'd be glad to go with you."

Now this manufacturing company was owned by a Baptist minister. He had leased the company out to a Jewish man from the east, and the Jewish man had beat him out of some seventy thousand dollars.

We walked into the plant together, and when we got in the middle of the plant he called one of his men over with a big trucks that reaches up into the air. It can get any roll of carpet that you want, and bring it down to you so you can see the quality and the colors and examine it.

An Unexpected Blessing

So the pastor was standing there telling the owner the ones he wanted to see. The owner was giving his driver instructions to bring it down, and all of a sudden the Spirit of the Lord that lives in me began to move on me, and the Word of the Lord come unto me saying, "Walk over to your right and pray in the Spirit." I just slowly walked over to my right in the plant, the spirit of prayer was on me, and I began to pray in the Spirit. That means pray in other tongues. I did not know what I was praying for, I knew where I was at, I was not unconscious. But the Spirit of prayer was on me to pray right then and there.

So I kept praying in the Spirit for about five minutes, walking back and forth praying in other tongues. I had no idea what I was praying for, I just knew that's what God wanted me to do. After about five minutes, the Spirit of prayer just left me as quickly as it had come.

So I started walking slowly back over where the pastor was at looking at the rugs. He looked at me and said, "A few minutes ago, we were getting rugs down to look at, and the owner, looked at me and said, 'Pastor, I'm gonna give you all these rugs for free, for your church.'"

And the moment he said that, the Holy Ghost witnessed to me that that was why I was sent over to the side to pray in the Spirit.

The Knowledge of the Holy Ghost Is the Knowledge of God

Now, remember the knowledge of the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost is from the throne of God, He thinks just like Jesus and God thinks. The triune Godhead. God and Jesus, and the Holy Ghost are three separate but they are all one. God sits on the throne and He's sitting there right now.

Jesus the Bible says, is sitting on the right hand side of the Father, and the Holy Ghost is the one that's here on the earth doing the work of God. The Holy Ghost is helping to rescue the human race to get them into Heaven, and to get them into the Spirit world, where they can live and think like God thinks.

God doesn't think like man does. Man thinks of doctrines and the way the church should be set up with rules from all different denominations. But see God thinks according to the Bible.

The Bible and God are the same. And the Holy Spirit works in line with the Word. He doesn't work in line with anything else, only the Word. Now, remember the knowledge of the Holy Ghost. You can get this knowledge. You receive a portion of God's knowledge when you begin to pray in the Spirit.

Likewise, the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Romans 8:26

See, I didn't know to pray for rugs in that plant that day. The Pastor didn't know to pray for rugs, but the Holy Ghost did. Now, the Holy Ghost will make sure that the man that gave those rugs to the church will get a great financial blessing for that. And the pastor, he got the rugs for free for

his church, but not through man's knowledge, through the knowledge of God. Through praying in the Spirit.

Now John the Baptist saw a little bit of this,

And I knew him not but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending and remaining on him, the same as he which baptizes with the Holy Ghost.

John 1:33 Communicate With God

You see, Jesus is the Baptizer in the Holy Ghost. Once you allow Jesus to baptize you in the Holy Ghost, then you have a right to receive these things from the throne of God.

You have a way to communicate with God directly from your mouth, from your life, from your body, through the Spirit of God that lives in you. Because you've been baptized in the Holy Ghost, and you can let the Spirit make intercession for your needs. That means praying in the Spirit or praying in other tongues. They are the same thing.

An Awesome Visitation

I'm going to share with you one of the greatest visitations from God that I have ever heard of in my life concerning the knowledge of the Holy Ghost. You will begin to see the depths of the knowledge of the Holy Ghost.

A while back in Columbus, Ohio, this visitation of the Holy Ghost began to come forth out of a 14 year old girl. It was tongues, but with prayer and understanding. That means in a language that she already knows. But she was unconscious.

Now the testimony I just shared with you how the Spirit moved upon me to go pray over in the plant, I was not unconscious, I knew what I was doing all the time. The only thing I didn't know was the vast knowledge of the Holy Ghost, and what He was doing. The only thing I knew was to pray in other tongues. But I had no idea what I was praying for. But God did, and He got what He was praying for from the throne. In turn God moved on the man to give the rugs to the pastor.

But now the girl I'm speaking to you about was unconscious, she had gone out under the power of the Holy Spirit. She had never prayed in the Spirit, or prayed in tongues before in her life until this incident.

We were holding a meeting in Columbus, Ohio in April 1974. It took place after a morning teaching session. I was standing close to the front door of the church talking to a friend when his sister named Cheryl, walked up. While talking to them the Spirit of the Lord moved upon me and He began to show me He wanted to do something special for Cheryl.

So I said, "Cheryl, have you received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit in your life?"

And she said, "No."

I said, "Well, Jesus wants to baptize you today. Let's walk down here in front of the church and you can receive it now."

So we walked down to the front of the church, and I gave her some instructions such as, "Give Jesus your tongue Cheryl, just give Him your voice box and your vocal chords. Just begin to speak out the sounds, words, and syllables that come to your spirit by the Holy Ghost. Just speak them on out. As your faith pleases Jesus, the manifestation of the Holy Spirit will grow stronger and stronger, and the language will begin to flow."

And she listened to what I was saying and did what I told her to do. I told her "Just shut your mind off from me, and think about Jesus, and talk to Him just like a child talking to his father or mother. Just let the sounds, and words come out of your mouth whatever they may be."

So as she yielded herself to the Lord and I put my hand upon her, praying, the Spirit of God moved upon her, and the tears begin to flow. And in a matter of just two or three minutes a beautiful language began to flow out of her.

After she spoke this beautiful language for about twenty minutes, she stopped. And she said to me, "My daughter is here, I would like for her to receive."

I said, "Well, go get her."

So she got her 14 year old daughter, Rhonda. I gave Rhonda instructions as I had her mother, and just laid my hand gently over on her. And the tears began to stream out of her eyes, and the Spirit of the Lord began to speak a beautiful language, and she started rejoicing God, and rejoicing, and rejoicing, and the language began to flow, and flow, and flow.

This girl fell completely out under the power of the Holy Spirit. She was talking in the beautiful language that the Lord had given to her.

As the Spirit began to flow, the Spirit of God began to speak some in English through the little girl. He began to talk about a man named John there in the church that hadn't received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

He was standing back talking to the pastor. I went and brought him up there. And the Spirit of God began to say, "John, John, John, John..." I put her little hands on him, and I agreed with her and the Holy Spirit, and he received the baptism of the Holy Spirit standing right there.

She continued speaking in tongues for two hours, unconscious, flat on the floor. As the spirit spoke things out in English, we decided to record it, and we were able to record about 35 minutes of it.

I want you to notice real closely the knowledge of the Holy Spirit as He spoke through this 14 year old girl in English. In the beginning the Spirit is talking about her father who was not a Christian. He use to be, but he had left the church. At the beginning the Holy Ghost through her, was just crying out to God for her father. I believe your life will be completely changed as you read the following and realize the knowledge of the Holy Spirit.

The following is a portion of the recording of the 14 year old girl under the Spirit. The...is when she is speaking in tongues. Following are just a few phrases she spoke in English from the 35 minutes we were able to record:

"My daddy, my daddy—my son, I love you...oh my son...my son, my son, my son...oh daddy...oh daddy,...my

daddy...my son, my son, my son...oh my daddy, oh my son...oh you are wonderful my son,...your daddy is saved, oh your daddy is saved. Your daddy is saved...your daddy is saved my little one...your daddy is saved my little one, oh I love you my little one. Your mother is too... oh your daddy is saved and he loves you...oh he does...my son it is you, my son...don't worry your daddy is saved...oh he loves you..., keep your eyes closed, keep your eyes closed...your daddy is saved. Don't fight it, don't fight it...is...oh Cheryl [tongues]...I love you...I never thought it would be this good...go tell daddy ...tell daddy...my house is your house...you are a member...see how good it is...your cold will go away... believe me...your daddy is fine... oh my son, my

son, my son, my son...I didn't know this would happen...oh be happy... rejoice ...be happy...I didn't expect this...oh it's good...I'm not looking at anything... peace...peace...goodbye..."

At this moment she began to grieve hard, she had been out for over two hours, and the Holy Ghost told her "goodbye." She immediately raised up, opened her eyes and just acted like she had been sleeping.

It was amazing but I want to point out a couple things to you, you would have to have been present and watch this manifestation to understand it. But I want to point out to you the vast knowledge of the Holy Ghost, and how He knows every part of our very being and everything that's going on around us.

While the Holy Ghost had her out praying through her, if you'll notice one time when He said, "Close your eyes, close your eyes..." She would begin to open her eyes and He was telling her to close her eyes. Then her body was began to move a little bit, and then He said to her, "Don't fight it, don't fight it."

I could imagine her being 14 years of age, out in the Spirit like that, never before in her life, her natural self was trying to fight it. And He was telling her what to do.

Now there was another young girl there about 13 years of age watching this. She looked up at me one time, and she opened her eyes, and asked me, "Why is she opening her eyes, what is she looking at?" And immediately the Holy Ghost answered and said, "I'm not looking at anything." And then she just began to speak in tongues again and make intercession. Oh, the benefits of praying in tongues it's absolutely wonderful!

This visitation from God caused us to all get on our knees and weep, and weep, and weep, and weep before God.

And I tell you the manifestation of God that day in April in Columbus, Ohio will be one that many people will never forget.

It lasted till after 3:00 in the afternoon. And we stayed there on the floor, and waited on God, and He did a miraculous work.

Worship and Pray in the Spirit

If you want to know the best way in the world to get your prayers answered, it is for you to bow down before God, and worship Him and pray in the Spirit. That means pray in other tongues. Because just like the scriptures I gave you in the book of Romans, the Lord says that you don't know what to pray for.

Many times, many things happen in your life that you don't know what to pray for, but the Spirit Himself will make intercession for you. He will make intercession for you up to Heaven. Because He knows what to pray for, and He knows how to pray for it. Many times we end up in situations in our life that we don't know how or what to pray for. But the Holy Spirit that lives inside you, the Holy Ghost, He knows how to make intercession.

And if you will learn to pray in the Spirit, He will make intercession for you, and you can get the answers real quick. God will answer your prayers.

God Sent Me To Rescue a Young Man

I was praying in the Spirit with Brother Kenneth Hagin here some time ago, in a room.

And the Spirit of God began to reveal to me and tell me that He wanted to use me to rescue a young man that was about to go into a dark valley. This man had been rebelling against God for two years.

Sometimes you know God gets fed up with our sins and He'll just let us go so far, and that's it. Then a terrible thing comes up on us that is vital to us. This was what was going to happen to this young man. But the Lord told me He wanted to use me to try to rescue this young man out of this dark valley.

We had been praying in the Spirit for over an hour one night about 1:00 in morning. It was just wonderful how God used me just about 4 or 5 days after the incident with the 14 year old girl, to put my arms around this young man, and ask him to come back to God.

I told him what God told me, that he was going to go into a dark valley, and oh it was going to be so dark. And the Holy Ghost begin to cry and say, "It's going to be so dark, so dark, so dark and I want to use you to tell him the truth and to rescue him and to warn him."

So as I told him this and warned him, he broke and began to cry, and weep, and he gave his life back to God. The Spirit of God came back in him, and he began to pray in the Spirit, and he prayed in the Spirit about 45 minutes. God just rescued him.

When the Holy Spirit tells you what to do, and tells you how to do it, then you know exactly what to do, and you know how to do it. Because when He gives you information, it's the knowledge of God.

The Holy Ghost has given me information on different things. One time the He began to give me information on a person I was going to have trouble with in one of my businesses, and that day my business was robbed.

The Holy Ghost woke me up at 5:00 in the morning, and told me that there was danger in my business, something's

going, to happen, to be cautious. So I called my secretary early that morning and said to her, "We are going to have problems with that business, something bad is going to happen." And that day it was robbed about noon.

I kept praying, and about 2 years later the man that robbed me came to my house, and broke, and began to cry, and weep, and brought back the money he had stolen.

The same thing happened to me one time in another place, in another city where I was speaking. A man came up, and began to cry, and weep, and the Spirit of God began to move. Then 2 weeks later he came to where I lived and He said, "I have to talk to you, I'm going to die if I don't talk to you." He told me that he robbed my place some 5 years before that.

He said, "I'll just pay you back if you won't put me in jail, but since I heard you speak over there in that other city that night, the Spirit of God has been on me, and I've been suffering, and suffering, and suffering."

We All Got Blessed

One time I was down in Florida holding a meeting for a friend. I was staying in his home. Right after service his wife began to pray in the Spirit, actually the Spirit of the Lord had been on her for two days.

The first night I spoke there she came forth, she had had back trouble, and God healed her.

Well, she had been crying, and rejoicing in God for two days. And back in the room, in the bedroom she began to pray in the Spirit one night, and her husband and I were sitting out front. So about midnight she went from praying in tongues into groanings before God.

Sometimes you can pray in tongues for quite some time and the manifestation of the Spirit of God can get so strong that you can't pray in tongues any more, but you just go into groanings before God. And the New Testament says, **"...groanings which cannot be uttered."** (Romans 8:26) Just groanings coming out of your voice box, coming out of your inner most being: Just groanings up to God.

So I said to my friend, "You know, God is about to speak to your wife, I've been there before, I know that God is about to speak to her." And He said, "Yeah, let's just wait." He said, "This is wonderful, let's just wait, and see what God wants to do." So we walked in the living room, and sat there for a few minutes. Then all of a sudden, she stopped. She came walking through the hallway and into the living room, and I was sitting on the couch, and my friend was sitting in a chair. She went over, and sat down in his lap, and put her hands on his head, and he broke, and began to cry, and weep. You could hardly do anything, except fall on your face, and God began to show me like a movie screen my whole life, from the time when I was child up to that time. And He began to show me back and forth scenes of my life. How the devil had tried to kill me when I was a child, and the heartaches, and troubles I'd had.

And that night at the end of it, when God brought my life up to that very time. He said, "The devil has tried to destroy you son, because I have anointed you with My Spirit, before you ever came out of your mother's womb." I didn't know that. And I tell you what a time we had. Glory to be to God forever more. We all got blessed by the Holy Spirit!

Oh, I tell you the vast knowledge of the Holy Ghost. The work that He does upon the earth among people. There is nothing that He won't do for us. All the benefits that God has for us we can enjoy if we only listen to Him, but we have to listen to Him. If we don't, we will not be able to receive the bountiful blessings of God.

Spend Time Praying in the Spirit

So I tell you when Jesus begins to move on you, the Spirit of God begins to move on you, just pray in the Spirit. If anything begins to happen in your life that you can't handle, go somewhere and pray in the Spirit. Because when you pray in the Spirit, I tell you, God will do great things for you. And He knows how to get the answers for you, because you are just like me, many things you don't know what to

pray for, or how to pray for, but the Holy Spirit does and He has the knowledge of God.

He knows everything that you need, and He is here to be our teacher and our guide. And He will guide us, and lead us into all truth. And He'll teach us the things of God. He'll teach us what we need to know about the Word of God. He'll teach us what God wants to teach us, if you'll read, and study the Word, and pray in the Spirit. Because when you pray in the Spirit remember the Bible says you speak in an unknown tongue, and you speak directly to God. No man understands it because you speak in mysteries.

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